

CLAIMS

1. A method for inputting data to a system having a plurality of keys and a display, each key being indicated with a particular visual indicator, said method comprising:

5 detecting a touch on one of said plurality of keys;
 displaying on said display, in response to the detection of a touch on one key, a pop-up display of a representing information representing the touched key;
 detecting a depression of the touched key; and
10 entering data assigned to said touched key.

2. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said representing information is the indicator.

3. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said representing information is a number assigned to the key.

15 4. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said representing information is a character assigned to the key.

5. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said representing information is a plurality of characters assigned to the key.

20 6. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said representing information is a function assigned to the key.

7. A method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising, after data entering, displaying on said display, in response to the detection of depress, a regular display in which the entered data is displayed together with previously entered data.

25 8. A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein said pop-up display is displayed for a predetermined period of time.

9. An apparatus for inputting data to a system having a plurality of keys and a display, each key being indicated with a particular visual indicator, said apparatus comprising:

5 a touch detecting arrangement operable to detect a touch on one of said plurality of keys;

a displaying arrangement operable to display on said display, in response to the detection of a touch on one key, a pop-up display of a representing information representing
10 the touched key;

a depression detecting arrangement operable to detect a depression of the touched key; and

an entering arrangement operable to enter data assigned to said touched key.

15 10. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said representing information is the indicator.

11. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said representing information is a number assigned to the key.

12. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said
20 representing information is a character assigned to the key.

13. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said representing information is a plurality of characters assigned to the key.

14. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said
25 representing information is a function assigned to the key.

15. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said displaying arrangement further displays on said display, in response to the detection of depress, a regular display in

which the entered data is displayed together with previously entered data.

16. An apparatus as claimed in claim 9, wherein said pop-up display is displayed for a predetermined period of time.